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INDONESIANS ON OFFENSIVE R.A.F. Planes Continue Sourabaya Bombing

BATAVIA, NOV. 15. DETERMINED INDONESIAN TROOPS, USING ARTILLERY AND FREQUENTLY COUNTER-ATTACKING, CLUNG FIRMLY TO FORTIFIED POSITIONS ALONG THE EAST SECTOR OF THE RAILROAD AT SOURABAYA AND LIMITED THE BRITISH INDIAN FORCES TO SCANT GAINS.

THE BRITISH CONTINUED BOMBING KEY POSITIONS. THE BRITISH COMMAND SAID THE INDEPENDENCE SEEKING INDONESIANS WOULD BE GIVEN AN EVEN OPPORTUNITY TO HALT THE USELESS BLOODSHED.

Vatican Blessing For Nuernberg

PARIS, NOV. 15. THE PARIS NEWSPAPER "PARIS MATIN" QUOTED POPE PIUS XII AS SAYING THE HOLY SEE APPROVED THE PRINCIPLE OF THE FORTHCOMING NUERNBERG TRIAL OF FORMER NAZI LEADERS AND HOPES "THE GUILTY WILL BE PUNISHED QUICKLY AND WITHOUT EXCEPTION."

In a copyright article by a special correspondent, the paper quoted the Pope as saying in an interview: "We know grave persecutions were taking place in Germany, but we never were informed of their inhuman character. We never were permitted to intervene or send help."

The Pontiff was quoted as saying Nazi leaders "not only are responsible for the material evil they have caused but also for spiritual crimes they committed by refusing religious assistance for their victims." — Associated Press.

Framing Of Vital Decisions

WASHINGTON, NOV. 15. ALLIED OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THE ATOMIC BOMB DISCUSSIONS INDICATED TODAY THEY ARE LARGELY CONCERNED ABOUT RUSSIA'S REACTION TO THE FORTHCOMING ANGLO-AMERICAN-INDIAN PROPOSAL FOR CONTROLLING ATOMIC FORCE.

Some feel this is one of history's climatic weeks, with decisions being framed which will vitally influence future Anglo-American relations with Russia. These relations are the core of the United Nations plans for peeling the world peace.

Indications from British authorities are that President Truman, Prime Minister Attlee and Prime Minister King of Canada will seek in their joint communiqué on plans for international atomic control to reassure Russia by offering to share the scientific knowledge of atomic power fully with Russia and other countries.

Indications are that Russia will in turn be invited to reassure the Western Allies about her policies and intentions by agreeing to place her scientific information in a contemplated pool and possibly by giving some evidence of her long-range territorial and political intentions. — Associated Press.

XMAS CHEER

London, Nov. 15. Extra rations for Britons over the Christmas season were announced today by the Food Minister, Sir Ben Smith. — Reuter.

Washington, Nov. 15. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee instructed a subcommittee to report by Monday on a resolution favoring free entry of Jews into Palestine. — Associated Press.

Sutan Sjahrir, now Premier of the self-proclaimed republic, called his cabinet into session in an attempt to end the Sourabaya fighting and restore order throughout Java.

Another Japanese staff officer, Maj. Gen. Junji Nakamura, also was taken to Singapore to face charges of violating surrender terms by allowing the Indonesians to take over Japanese arms. Two other generals were sent to Singapore to face the same charge.

The Government Information Minister disclosed that the Government intends to make it illegal for any citizen to carry arms.

Sjahrir said the republic would be made thoroughly democratic in the general election to be held soon. He said no member of the new Government would be tainted by collaboration with the Japanese during the occupation.

The Dutch news agency Aneta reported today the disappearance of Dr. W. M. Mansvelt, political advisor to the Governor-General. It was feared he had been kidnapped by Indonesian extremists.

BETTER ORGANISED

Sourabaya, Nov. 15. British forces have now occupied more than half of Sourabaya. It was officially stated today, but even in districts under British control sniping is still taking place.

A British officer said the Indonesians were better organized and no longer wander about in small uncoordinated bands.

The Indonesians are armed with small arms, machine-guns, mortars and some tanks.

Dutch Governor-General van Mook is meeting leaders of the new Indonesian Cabinet today at the residence of General Christison, the Allied Commander. — Associated Press.

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Hunger Forces Japanese To Offer Diamonds

TOKYO, NOV. 15. DESPERATELY HUNGRY JAPAN APPEALED OFFICIALLY YESTERDAY FOR ALLIED FOOD AND FUEL, PROMISING TO PAY IN INSTALLMENTS BY SHIPMENTS OF GOLD, DIAMONDS, SILK AND OTHER GOODS.

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS REPORTED IT WAS NOT READY TO GIVE AN ANSWER.

The Japanese Minister of Commerce, Sankuro Ogawara, announced formal application for imports, mostly from America, and made clear that the Japanese Government felt the alternatives were to barter or to die.

Lieut. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger reported the occupation forces in Japan and Korea are near their peak and soon will decline from the present 460,000.

Kyodo news agency said the Government had decided to encourage private companies to increase their output of gold mined in Japan. Industrial sources believe gold will be used in part payment of reparations. — Associated Press.

Paulay said that United States policy is to use Japanese wealth for the Allied occupation, for the importation of goods necessary to assure a minimum for Japanese survival and for war reparations.

He explained that recurring reparations such as those which might be paid after the removal of tangible assets such as gold, silver and machinery might be used in other countries. — Associated Press.

Paris, Nov. 15. General de Gaulle has begun the formation of his Cabinet and yesterday interviewed the leaders of the three main political parties. — Associated Press.

Air Mails To Shanghai

Air mail letters are now accepted by the Post Office for transmission to Shanghai and Kuning.

The postage is \$1 per 1/2 oz. and for the present it is intended to maintain two outward mails a week.

C. I. G. S. Arrives

ON HIS 30,000-MILE TOUR BY AIR OF SOUTH-EAST ASIA AND THE FAR EAST, FIELD-MARSHAL LORD ALAN BROOK, CHIEF OF THE IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, LANDED AT KAI TAK AIRFIELD YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

He was travelling in an R.A.F. Transport Command Dakota and was escorted in by three Spitfires.

At the aerodrome he was met by the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Harscott, Air Commodore W. A. D. Brook, A.O.C., Air Headquarters, Hong Kong, General Caron de Wart, General Festing (the G.O.C.), General Hayes, General S. K. Yee (representing General Chiang Kai-shek) and Wing-Commander R. W. Chadwick, acting commanding officer at Kai Tak.

Field-Marshal Alanbrooke inspected a guard of honour formed by men of 2708 Squadron, R.A.F. Regiment, under the command of S. L. W. N. Wootton.

This squadron figured prominently in some of the fiercest fighting for the Moulkilla group of airfields in Burma.

Field-Marshal Alanbrooke crossed the harbour to Government House where he is staying during his visit to Hong Kong.

VISION OF THE FUTURE

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China Sick To Death Of War

SAN FRANCISCO, NOV. 15. DR. JAMES YEN, CHINESE EDUCATOR HERE TO EXPLAIN THE MASS EDUCATION MOVEMENT HE HAS FOUNDED, DECLARED TODAY THAT THE FRICTION IN CHINA IS NOT CIVIL WAR BUT MERELY SKIRMISHES AND MINOR DISTURBANCES WHICH "SHOULD END WITHIN A FEW MONTHS."

He said he felt the strife was comparable to the post-war labour disturbances in the United States.

"Any country emerging from war to peace is bound to have internal difficulties," he said. "The Chinese are sick to death with war," he maintained, adding that 98 per cent of China's people were loyal to Chiang.

Yen said that the Communists had the good effect of making Chiang more liberal and democratic but if the Communists continue as they have been doing they will be condemned in the eyes of the whole country. — Associated Press.

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Uncertainty The Chungking Keynote

CHUNGKING, NOV. 15. PROSPECTS OF THE FORTHCOMING "PEACE CONFERENCE" IN CHUNGKING EXTRICATING CHINA FROM DANGER OF ALL-OUT CIVIL WAR ARE CONSIDERED UNCERTAIN IN MOST FOREIGN AND CHINESE QUARTERS HERE.

THE CONFERENCE, ACCORDING TO PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS, IS DUE TO MEET AROUND NOVEMBER 20 WHEN DELEGATES OF THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY GATHER IN CHUNGKING.

The task of the council, in which all parties and persons with no party affiliations are to be represented, will be to consider all outstanding issues between the Government and Communists with an aim to avert all-out civil war and unify the country.

President Chiang Kai-shek will be ex-officio Chairman. There will be eight representatives of the Government, seven of the Communists, nine of the Democratic League, five of the Youth Party and nine persons without party connections.

The Youth Party is one of six groups within the Democratic League, but it insisted upon and was conceded separate representation on the council.

One of the immediate difficulties facing the council is to determine the voting procedure. Neither Government nor Communists appear disposed to accept any system by which they could be overruled.

POSSIBLE SNAG

A wrangle on this question is expected and unless agreement is reached the conference might strike a serious snag in its early stages.

Some foreign quarters in Chungking have reached the considered view that both sides are playing for time, and nothing will come of the conference. The same feeling is evident in Chinese circles.

Nevertheless, the fact that the Communists have at last agreed to nominate representatives to the council is welcomed because it is thought that so long as negotiations continue the possibility of a peaceful settlement exists. — Associated Press.

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Truman On Traitors

Washington, Nov. 15. President Truman, in a letter to Philippine President Osmeña, struck sharply at the idea of collaborationists sitting in the Philippines Congress, but said he was approving a bill for reduction of gold coverage backings for commonwealth currency because it appeared of vital interest to the islands' welfare.

President Truman said he had delayed his approval of the bill "due to the fact there have been persistent charges that a sizeable fraction of the members of the Philippine Congress have been guilty of collaboration with the enemy and I have not wanted my approval of the act to be interpreted as approval of collaboration."

An informant, however, that provisions of the house bill are necessary to effective conduct of the Philippines government and accordingly have approved the act. — Associated Press.

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PARATROOPS FIRE ON TEL AVIV MOB

JERUSALEM, NOV. 15. JEWISH CROWDS SET FIRE TO GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND STONED THE POLICE AT TEL AVIV YESTERDAY IN THE LATEST OUTBREAKS OF VIOLENCE IN PALESTINE.

REPORTS FROM THE SCENE SAID BRITISH TROOPS FIRED AT THE LEGS OF THE RIOTERS. STREET FIGHTING THERE BROKE OUT DURING THE 12-HOUR GENERAL STRIKE CALLED BY THE JEWS IN PROTEST AGAINST THE NEW BRITISH PROPOSALS FOR SETTLING THE PALESTINE PROBLEM. OVER 30 WERE REPORTED INJURED.

Twelve were hurt when Jewish youths stoned buses and taxis in Jerusalem.

The Jewish and Arab press both protested strongly the British announcement that a joint British-American committee would make recommendation on Jewish problems.

Armoured cars are now patrolling the streets of Tel Aviv mounted with loudspeakers through which British officers are announcing that everybody is to return to their homes. — Reuter.

Large groups of youths, after a demonstration in the Allenby Road in Tel Aviv attacked a Government office, throwing in to it blazing torches which set it on fire.

A Police party, which arrived on the scene, was stoned. The building was still blazing as scuffling continued in nearby streets.

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TROOPS STONED

Tel Aviv, Nov. 15. British paratroopers restored order to rioting Tel Aviv at 11 o'clock last night after a huge mob of Jewish civilians stormed the streets for hours, stoning and burning. Two were killed and more than 40 reported wounded.

The British opened fire around the legs of the demonstrators to disperse the crowd of about 600 which Major John Shopen said hurled stones at the paratroopers. British armoured cars and soldiers then ringed the city square.

The rioters set government buildings afire and stoned police. The street rioting broke out during the 12-hour general strike called by the Jews in protest against the new British proposals for settling the Palestine problem. — Associated Press.

BRITONS WOUNDED

Jerusalem, Nov. 15. It was officially announced today that two Jews were killed, eight seriously wounded and three slightly wounded, in last evening's clash at Tel Aviv.

The Police casualties were, four slightly wounded and the military two slightly wounded.

British troops of the 6th Airborne Division, which spear-headed the Normandy invasion, and squads of Palestine Police were today on guard in Tel Aviv, the largest Jewish city in Palestine, prepared to deal with any further mob outbreaks in their protest against the British declared Palestine policy.

Armoured-cars patrolled the streets and Military Headquarters have been established in Colony Square. The city is under curfew following last night's riots, in which the Airborne troops fired on the demonstrating mobs.

Major J. V. Shopen, who gave the orders to the British troops, said that a crowd of several thousands were using stones and sticks and took no notice of the British warning, "Disperse or we fire."

"They advanced and I had no alternative but order my men to fire, but told them to fire low. Still the crowd came, throwing stones and shouting," — Reuter.

FRESH INCIDENT

Tel Aviv, Nov. 15. Members of the British Sixth Airborne Division were again forced to fire on rioting Jewish mobs here this morning. One Jew was killed and three seriously wounded.

In another incident a British lorryload of flour was attacked by a mob.

R.A.F. planes are circling over the city but have not taken offensive action.

The curfew order has been broken openly, thousands of people roaming the streets all night.

The Airborne troops fired ten rounds after six police battalions had had no effect.

All is quiet in Jerusalem. — Associated Press.

SAVAGE FIGHTING AT MONGOLIAN STRONGHOLDS

CHUNGKING, NOV. 15. AN OFFICIAL DISPATCH TO DAY REPORTED CRACK CHINESE COMMUNIST TROOPS WERE THROWN BACK IN SAVAGE FIGHTING YESTERDAY AS THEY HURLED HEAVY ATTACKS AT TWO MAJOR NATIONALIST STRONGHOLDS IN INNER MONGOLIA.

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A Cabinet spokesman said the Communists have destroyed one-tenth of all China's railways or approximately 876 miles of track, causing widespread dislocation of transportation.

He said, however, trains were still running between Peking and Chingwangtao.

Heavy fighting between Chinese Government and Communist troops in the suburbs of Kweisui, capital of Suyuan, is reported by the China Central News to-day. — Reuter.

OLD BAILEY TREASON TRIAL

London, Nov. 15. The trial of John Amery, younger son of Mr. Leopold Amery, former Secretary of State for India, will start on Nov. 28 at the Old Bailey before Mr. Justice Humphreys. The trial is expected to last for three days.

Amery is alleged to have broadcast Nazi propaganda in English over the German Radio. He was arrested in Italy and brought to England on July 8. — Reuter.

Macao Again In An Upset

(From Our Own Correspondent)

MACAO, NOV. 15. SUPPRESSED EXCITEMENT AGAIN PREVAILS IN MACAO FOLLOWING THE REPORTED REFUSAL OF THE MACAO AUTHORITIES TO COMPLY WITH A DEMAND MADE BY COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS OVER THE BORDER FOR THE SURRENDER OF ALL CHINESE PUPPETS AND JAPANESE NATIONALS NOW IN CUSTODY HERE.

Refusal is stated to be based on the Macao contention that, while willing to surrender these individuals in accordance with the Potsdam Declaration, they must remain for the present in Macao.

The Communists are reported to have replied that they will come themselves and get them.

As a result, a "state of prevention" prevails, and pickets of police are patrolling the streets armed with Thompson guns.

The Portuguese sloop "Alfonso Albuquerque" is expected within 48 hours bringing 800 Portuguese European troops from Timor, and this will be followed shortly by the arrival of the sloop "Bartholomew Dias."

Rumours were current later this evening that the communist guerrillas demands had extended to certain Chinese in high business circles whom they want to be handed over to them.

No Hitches In Atom Bomb Talks

WASHINGTON, NOV. 15. THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER, MR. CLEMENT ATTLEE, WHOSE SPEECH TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS YESTERDAY IS BEING HAILED HERE AS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT STEP IN ANGLIO-AMERICAN RELATIONS, RESUMES HIS "ATOM" TALKS WITH PRESIDENT TRUMAN AND CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER MCKENZIE KING TODAY.

The third major meeting is being held this afternoon.

It is agreed that a joint communiqué on the talks is expected later this week.

William Hardcastle, Reuter's correspondent in Washington, reports that the atom bomb conference is proceeding completely according to plan and there have been no hitches. It is learned at the White House today.

A communiqué can be expected late to-morrow. It will follow closely the lines of the plan which the British Prime Minister disclosed earlier this week and it is expected to contain the most important diplomatic development since the breakdown of the London Conference of Foreign Ministers. — Reuter.

IT'S STAGGERING

Tokyo, Nov. 15. Edwin S. Fawcett, President Truman's reparations representative, told a news conference today he believed Japan would be unable to pay the cost of Allied occupation, let alone extensive reparations. He said "the cost of occupation of Japan is staggering. It is so big." — Associated Press.

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W. F. SIMMONS,
Acting General Manager.
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(3) Passengers must NOT board the vessel without first obtaining their embarkation cards, which will be issued at assembly points.

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BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, HONG KONG.

NOTICE

Charges will be made for accommodation and meals in the Hong Kong, Gloucester and Peninsula Hotels as from 17th, November inclusive. Accommodation rates will be notified to residents by one hotel staff. The prices of meals are posted near the entrances to hotel dining rooms.

O. B. H. DELAMARINE,

Col.

General Administration Branch.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, HONG KONG.

NOTICE

POLICE AND PRISONS BRANCH

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regulations made by the Governor in Council on the 25th November, 1927 under THE DOGS ORDINANCE 1927 will be rigorously administered.

For information the following extract from the said Regulations is published:

21 (2). "No dog shall be allowed to go abroad in the public thoroughfares or elsewhere unless it is either muzzled or on a lead, and any dog found abroad in the public thoroughfares or elsewhere which is neither muzzled nor on a lead may be captured and detained, or may be shot or otherwise destroyed, by any police officer or by any person authorized by the Commissioner of Police. The owner of any dog so found shall be deemed to have allowed such dog to go abroad neither muzzled nor on a lead, and to have contravened the provisions of this regulation. The owner of any dog which lites any person, or any other dog, at a time when and place at which it is required by this regulation to be either muzzled or on a lead, or to have contravened this regulation, notwithstanding any proof that the dog was wearing a muzzle, or was on a lead, at such time."

C. H. SANSOM,

Colonel (C.A.) Police.

14th November, 1945.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION (HONG KONG)

POLICE AND PRISONS BRANCH

TENDERS FOR SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF PROVISIONS

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that sealed tenders in triplicate, will be received at the Superintendent of Prisons' Office Stanley until Noon of Monday, the 26th day of November, 1945, for supply and delivery of provisions required by the Hong Kong Prison at Stanley, or elsewhere in the Colony, if required, for the period from 1st December, 1945 to 31st December, 1945.

Tenders may quote for all or any part of each Schedule. Successful Tenderers will be required to deposit in the Colonial Treasury the sum prescribed in the respective Schedules as security for the due and faithful performance of the Contract.

Forms of tender and further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Prisons, Hong Kong Prison, Stanley.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, and reserves the right to accept ALL OR ANY PART OF EACH TENDER.

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IT WON'T WORK

There already are signs that the division of Germany, agreed upon by the Big Three at Potsdam, will not work. These signs are accumulating.

Eastern Germany and lower Prussia formerly were the principal suppliers of food for industrial Germany. Now these regions are part of the new Poland, and food supplies are sent eastward rather than westward. The Potsdam provision that Germany be treated as a single economic unit does not apply to these areas.

Many of the 8,000,000 Germans who formerly lived in areas incorporated into Poland fled into occupied Germany, adding to the congestion there. But food and housing in occupied Germany, except possibly in the Russian zone, are insufficient for coping with this influx. Railroad transportation is not available for moving these Germans now, but the Poles may elect them from Poland just the same. Russia has given no indication how it will treat these refugees in the Russian zone.

The Russian zone was the crops to help feed industrial Western Germany, but not the laborers to harvest the crops. So far, farm workers have not been allowed to go from the U.S. and British zones to the Russian zone. Division of Germany into four zones thus lowers the amount of food available to the German people.

The U.S. zone is more nearly self-sufficient than other parts of Germany. But farms there already are overcrowded. There is little surplus arable land available to settle the 2,000,000 or more Germans that may have to be accepted in the U.S. zone if plans for early deportation of 6,000,000 Germans from Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary are carried out. Top Army officials say Germans in the U.S. zone face starvation unless food is brought in from abroad or the Russian zone.

The British zone has a surplus of labour but little arable land for workers to produce food. At the same time, industrial equipment which would give employment is being sent into the Russian zone as reparations. Food supplies in the British zone are insufficient for the winter ahead. Military already are receiving food from Britain to help them produce coal to resume necessary production. But the amount of food Britain can send to Germany is limited.

The French zone is unimportant industrially except for the Saar, which is being worked for the aid of France rather than Germany, and surplus food goes to France.

The result is that Germany, the economic heart of Europe, is being run in individual sections by individual controls. Countries that bought and sold in Germany must now look elsewhere. The rebuilding of Germany so as to permit Allied occupation armies to return home is delayed. Instead, Germany relies on Allied aid. Mr. Churchill warned Parliament that this pattern of running Germany is endangering the peace of Europe.

TRAM SERVICE TO BE INTERRUPTED

Those who use the tramways are advised to get home early tonight, for by 10.45 p.m. all trams will be withdrawn from service.

Reason is the necessity for making certain power station adjustments. The morning service tomorrow is also likely to be delayed.

K.C.R. OPEN

The first through train left Kowloon yesterday morning at 9.35 a.m. for Canton with only about 200 passengers.

The small number is attributed to the short notice and it is believed that there will be a marked increase as the resumption of the service becomes known to the public.

NAVAL COURT MARTIAL; SEAMAN ON MURDER CHARGE

A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY INVOLVING ACCUSED AND ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL WITNESSES FOR THE PROSECUTION WAS SUGGESTED BY ACCUSED'S FRIEND, MR. M. A. DA SILVA, WHEN COURT MARTIAL PROCEEDINGS ON A CHARGE OF MURDER WERE HEARD YESTERDAY AGAINST ALEXANDER MARTIN, ORDINARY SEAMAN.

MARTIN IS BEING TRIED BEFORE A FULL NAVAL COURT MARTIAL ABOARD H.M.S. MONTCLARE. HE IS ACCUSED OF THE MURDER OF A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD CHINESE GIRL, CHEUNG LAI-CHAN, AT NO. 32, HENNESSY ROAD, WANCHAI, ON OCTOBER 5.

It is alleged that Martin had visited a brothel with three others in Hennessy Road and that he was the only one of the four who could have been on the verandah where the alleged murder was committed at approximately 8 p.m.

In cross-examination of one of the principal witnesses for the prosecution, Maurice Motherwell, Mr. da Silva suggested to the Court that Martin and Motherwell be placed side by side so that members of the Court Martial could notice the resemblance of the two to one another. The suggestion was ruled in order as was the question put to witness by accused's friend as to whether he himself had not been guilty of the crime and was attempting to shield himself.

Witness was warned that he could choose between answering and refusing to answer the question, and elected to reply, denying the allegation.

TECHNICAL EVIDENCE
Evidence was given yesterday by William Motherwell, Leonard George Reed and Peter Sharp, Ordinary Seamen, and Leonard George Reed, Able Seaman. They all went to the China Fleet Club where they were joined later by

to whom, a number of other witnesses were heard in relation to technical evidence and in reconstruction of what had allegedly happened at the time the body of the girl was found beneath the verandah.

The Court adjourned after the tillin recess, to permit members of the Court Martial to visit the scene of the incident.

The Court consisted of: President, Capt. Alexander C. G. Maddens (H.M.S. Asen); Members, Capt. Charles Peter Friend; Capt. Douglas M. L. Neame, D.S.O.; Capt. Geoffrey F. Burdard, Capt. Villiers N. Surtees, D.S.O.; Capt. Benjamin Bryant, D.S.O.; D.S.C.; Judge Advocate, Lieut. Comdr. H. D. Barry, R.N.V.R.; Prosecution, Capt. F. F. Hopkinson, O.B.E. (H.M.S. Diligence), assisted by Lt. (S) A. Bell, R.N.V.R.; Defence, Mr. Marcus da Silva.

At the time of the alleged incident, the accused belonged to H.M.S. Golden Hind, but now he is attached to H.M.S. Diligence. The circumstances of the case, as given in Court, were: At 3 p.m. on October 5, the accused landed in Hong Kong on short leave. He was accompanied by a shipmate, Graser Arthur McCabe, Ordinary Seaman, and Leonard George Reed, Able Seaman. They all went to the China Fleet Club where they were joined later by

gained in relief work, calls for the highest praise and recognition. **BENDIGONIAN.**
Macao, Nov. 13.

A CHINESE REPLIES
Sir,—May I clarify a few points of prime importance with regard to my classification of Chinese who are decent or otherwise.

In China to-day, with the capitulation of the enemy, everybody has an equal opportunity to develop his trade and industry, and there is no longer the existence of any restriction that may impede his legitimate progress. If any educated Chinese will be as resourceful as those literate and shabby—pedlars, that is, things needed by the visiting seamen, he needs no longer to grumble about his scanty salary from his foreign employer.

It is absolutely useless to complain of any case of dissatisfaction with people who are not authorized to remedy any complaint, nor is it within the reason of common sense for Asiatics to expect similar fair treatment from foreign employers as in the case of their nationals. When Japanese were in control of Hongkong, they committed the same prejudice in addition to the restriction of personal movement and export permits to their own nationals. All the Japanese civilians received more rations of rice and other foodstuffs, while Chinese and other nationals got barely enough to feed the stomach.

In Hongkong it was lucky that they were allowed the ration of 0.4 ounce of rice per day while in Chungshan villages, the home of our National Father Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the peasants only were entitled to the ration of 4 ounces per day, barely sufficient even to feed a dog.

Now with the liberation of Hong Kong, the new Government, foreign as it is, has really been doing something that has never been thought of by our national leaders retroceding the occupied zones of China, that is, to reduce the cost of rice to 20 cents per catty, and to serve free hot rice to the destitute that used to snatch food from pedestrians during the Japanese rule. If there is any person found in starving condition roaming about the streets of Hongkong, he must be an alms from pedestrians, he must be a poor, not professional, and there is no reason for him to beg more alms from people when he is supplied with hot rice by the Government.

Now my answer for the dissatisfied people who are employed by foreigners, is that they must, like the barbers in Hongkong, form an association or union. Let a committee of experienced persons to be directors who shall make a set of by-laws which must be strictly observed by all members, thereby making them the ruling costs of living affect their livelihood, the voice of the legitimate employee association will surely be heard with respect by the foreign employers.

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Maurice William Motherwell, of the Tamar.

PHOTOGRAPHS

About 6 p.m. this party of five left the China Fleet Club and together went to the shop of Duon Cheuk-yin, a photographer, at No. 12 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, where they took three photographs.

Subsequently, this party carried on to, and entered, a brothel situated nearby on the second floor of No. 30 Hennessy Road. Arthur McCabe left the brothel shortly afterwards. The accused went into a cubicle in the brothel.

The party was disturbed and around "about dark" by people making a noise outside the brothel door and apparently trying to enter.

When disturbed by the people outside, the accused, with William Motherwell, Leonard George Reed and Peter Sharp, left the brothel and went downstairs into the street with a view to searching for the people who had disturbed them.

In the street, the accused, followed by Motherwell, turned right (eastwards), went along the pavement, and led the way up the narrow stairway leading up to the flat above the shops Nos. 34 and 32, Hennessy Road. Subsequently, after the arrival on the first floor, where no admission could be obtained when the accused knocked on a door, the accused carried on upstairs. At this stage Motherwell, being "fed up" with the company with the accused on the first floor landing and returned to the street.

VIOLENT KNOCKING
About 8 p.m. Chan Wah, 41, a dockyard carpenter, was in his apartment at 32 Hennessy Road, second floor, when someone struck the staircase door violently several times. The person outside the door spoke a Western language. A few moments later, Cheung Sam, widow, of 34 Hennessy Road, second floor (the apartment on the same landing as No. 32, second floor) heard knocking on her staircase door. So violent was the knocking that it broke down the door. After a few minutes the knocking ceased and Cheung Sam heard heavy foot steps going up the stairs.

About this time a man hammered at the door of the apartment of a woman, Leung Pik-yuk, on the third floor of 32 Hennessy Road. She blew a police whistle several times. He broke the door and forced his way inside. He was a European.

Leung retreated with her two daughters—chased by the European—on to the verandah overlooking Hennessy Road. The man went on to the verandah, spoke to Leung, and getting no reply seized hold of the child, Cheung Lai-CHAN, and threw her over the verandah rail into the street.

The man then smashed some crockery in the apartment and left. The case is being continued to-day.

Both as a parent, and as a teacher responsible for the rearing of pupils of the Chinese school, may I thank all who have, in such a friendly spirit, entertained the children and ourselves to picnics and to parties on land and on Naval vessels?

We do thank the courteous drivers of Jeeps, cars, trucks and vans, who respond to our signal, who give us "lifts" in every direction, or even take us for joy-rides. Our sojourn in Kowloon will always be a happy memory.

We appreciate the kind, just treatment of Japanese prisoners. This springs from inherent qualities in the British people, not due to any superiority in our nation, but due to centuries of Christian teaching. Germany has turned her back upon God. Japan is a heathen nation. "The dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty," is a text which has been fulfilled before the shocked eyes of the world.

The only hope for the world to-day lies in the salvation offered to us in Jesus Christ. A God-fearing people is a happy people. After this cruel struggle the world needs healing, of spirit, of mind, of body, in every department of life, individual and social. Here is a promise, "Unto you that fear My Name shall the Sun of Righteousness Arise with healing in His wings." Malachi 4.2.

A GRATEFUL INTERNEE.

CHEAP LABOUR

Sir,—Both Democrat and Anti-Exploitation are to be commended for their championship of the under-dog. They fail however to realize that Hongkong exists solely because of its cheap labour and any attempt to raise the standard of living for the Chinese would at once have a disastrous effect on its usefulness to the Empire. It will be interesting to see how the present labour government with its ideals of higher wages and better living conditions faces up to the problem.

BUNKUM.

LIGHT CHARGES ON 1941 BASIS

Electricity consumers both in Hong Kong and Kowloon are to be charged for current used on the basis of 1941 rates in addition to a 50 per cent. surcharge, and accounts are to be rendered for the month of October.

Announcing this yesterday, an official statement also says that "Neon signs must not be used until further notice. Consumers found using Neonlights are liable to have their supply disconnected."

A Harbour Office notification says that according to instructions received from the Naval Authorities it is advised that ships which must use the Canton River before the minefields are cleared should proceed up the Eastern side of the Bocca Tigris on above on Blue-Chart No. 2.

Dachu Nazis On Trial

Frankfurt, Nov. 15.
The war crimes trial of 40 Nazis connected with the infamous Dachau concentration camp begins here to-day. Accused are charged with violation of the laws and usages of war. Associated Press.

ambition, who are the cause of turmoil in China. If foreign Powers do wish to uplift China in a sincere way, it is the official class of China which needs to be taught the practical principles of democracy, and the question of seeming poverty and shabby appearance as seen and worried by foreign observers can be tackled by the Chinese themselves, whose democratic trade or craftsmen associations are fully competent to handle it. In all leading cities of China, there should be immediately established a number of powerful foreign journals which will be fearless to tell all truth that make also democratic Chinese officials to common sense from further trammeling the rights of the Chinese common people who are really decent. Their contribution, like working bees, to the progress and development of China, Malaya, Indo-China, and everywhere must be highly appreciated by a realistic person.

To a decent Chinese, his resourcefulness plus his industry and thrift could move mountains away, to any nothing of banishing poverty, which is brought to reality by love of luxury and hate of hard work. A few years ago I was one of the poor boys that even had no means to buy paper and ink to write with. I lived through the life of a miserable boy, and therefore I know my people far better than any living foreigners in China.

A CHINESE OBSERVER.

INTERNEE'S THANKS

Sir,—As an internee from the Weihsien Camp, on the eve of our departure for the homeland, may I take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the men of the Services for all their help and friendliness?

We have been well housed and cared for by R.A.P.W.I. Children have received most generous gifts of provisions and of fresh milk from the Red Cross. We are all very grateful for the clothing so kindly provided by the Australian Red Cross. The N.A.A.F.I. Canton has good-humouredly sold chocolate, soap, chewing gum, etc. to our lengthy queues. We have paid daily visits to the P.O.W. Canteen, and in its pleasant grounds have sipped refreshing cups of tea and coffee.

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THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE

A General Meeting of all persons who were on the 25th December 1941 members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Saturday the 17th day of November, 1945, at 2.30 p.m. in the afternoon, for the purpose of discussing the affairs of the Club generally and to consider what are the possibilities for the early resumption of racing in Hong Kong.

All officers of the Allied forces and officials of the Hong Kong Government in Hong Kong are cordially invited to attend and their participation in any discussions which may ensue will be very much appreciated.

By order of the Stewards.
H. ROZARIO
Acting Secretary.

OWNERSHIP OF HARBOUR CRAFT

All owners and managers of harbour launches and lighters, including junks and native craft, prior to 8th December, 1941 are to render a return of the craft owned by them at that date together with particulars of their present location where known to the Divisional Sea Transport Officer, Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon by the 17th November, 1945.

Captain W. J. MOORE, R.N.R.,
DIVISIONAL SEA TRANSPORT OFFICER.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, HONG KONG
(SUPPLIES, TRANSPORT AND INDUSTRIES BRANCH)

NOTICE
STORES REQUIRED

Tenders are invited from the public for the supply of the following stores:

Ink Pots
Inkstands, double wells.
Cups and Saucers.
Lutes, large and small.
Bases, China or enamel.
Kegs, enamel.
Teapots, large.
Teapots, Chinese.
Class Tumblers.
Kives & forks, table.
Knives & forks, carving.
Fishes, butchers.
Knives, bread.
Spoons, tea.
Spoon, dessert.
Spoon, o.g. handle.
Spoon, Chinese, earthenware.
Cooking utensils.
Sauce pans.
Ladles.
Strainers.
Mortar and Pestles.
Mortar and Choppers.
Chopping Boards.
Mortar, mortar.
Feather Dusters.
Ladle, asseptic.
Can, urinal bed.
Iron Hooks 12".
Lampets.
Buckets.
Pillows.
Fellow slips.
Sack, 10 Yds.
Bicycles 28" x 1 1/2".
Bicycles tyres 28" x 1 1/2".
Bicycles tubes 28" x 1 1/2".

Tenders for all or any part of the above must be submitted in triplicate, in sealed covers marked "Tender for Stores", addressed to Mr. C. E. Davis, Supplies, Sub-Section, 2nd Floor, Mercantile Bank Building. Samples must accompany tenders when such a submission is reasonable, and any further particulars required may be obtained from the above named Officer.

The closing time for the acceptance of tenders is noon on November 21st, 1945, and offers must remain open for fourteen (14) days from this date.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

A. BURGESS,
Colonel, (C.A.) Supplies,
Transport & Industry.
16th November, 1945.

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY
Alumni Association
ALL PAST STUDENTS of the University are cordially requested to attend:
A REUNION DINNER & GENERAL MEETING
to be held at the Cafe de China, China Building, on Wednesday, 21st November, 1945, at 5.30 p.m.
Please send in your name and address, together with the cover charge of HK\$10.00, to:
Mr. Pang Ping Fan of Bank of East Asia, Ltd., Phone 27747, or
Mr. Y. T. Kwan of Eu Tong Sen, Ltd., Phone 25593.

Chaotic Conditions In Yangtse Port City

HANKOW, NOV. 15.
THE FIRST PARTY OF BRITISH BUSINESSMEN TO ARRIVE IN HANKOW ARE FRANKLY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE REVIVAL OF TRADE FOR A LONG TIME TO COME.

APART FROM CHINA'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, THEY FEEL THAT THIS CITY'S ISOLATED POSITION UP THE YANGTSE RIVER AND THE HAVOC WROUGHT BY AMERICAN BOMBINGS WILL DELAY ANY FORM OF BUSINESS UNTIL MANY MONTHS AFTER SHANGHAI RE-OPENS. AN URGENT NEED IS THE RESUMPTION OF RIVER TRAFFIC WITH BUILDING MATERIALS A HIGH PRIORITY ON CARGO LISTS.

In spite of energetic co-operation on the part of the Swiss and the excellent work being done by Lieutenant-Colonel Anand, who is here on a reporting mission for Mr. A. G. Ogden, the Consul-General in Shanghai, these businessmen clamour for a Consular representative to assist them to iron out the state of confusion left by the Japanese.

Physically, Hankow is a skeleton of its former self. On all sides are wide open squares of rubble and dust, and streets of fire-gutted buildings, whose frames seem likely to tumble at any moment. The former Japanese section of the city suffered the greatest damage.

British property was hard hit. The Consulate, the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, the Shell Company, the International Export Company, the Hankow Light and Power Company, and the small British church are among the several buildings which have been smashed or bruised in varying degrees. The city's two main hospitals are in ruins, and the Hankow Club has been wiped out so completely that it is difficult to find the corner where it once stood.

NO LIGHTS
The Municipal authorities are trying to cope with this situation, law and order is being preserved, and the dusty streets are being swept by gangs of bedraggled, humiliated Japanese soldiers.

Hankow, however, is a blacked-out city without electricity and only a limited water supply. Short-

age of coal is reported to be due to lack of shipping and to more urgent requirements elsewhere. Food is adequate for the time being, with prices, on the whole, lower than in Chungking, but the housing problem, due to the returning population and the earlier bombings, is acute. Rents are exorbitant, and key money is asked in the shape of gold bars.

FLOOD THREAT
A potential danger next year is the threat of flood. Twice in the past 15 years Hankow, which is a low-lying city, has been flooded, or nearly flooded, owing to faulty dyke construction, and from the air the local dykes appear to be in bad shape and in need of repair.

The authorities here are not over-disturbed regarding the so-called Communist threat in this area. It is reported that their troops are positioned along a twisting line roughly from Panchang to the Han river north-west of Hankow, to Sinyang, on the Peking-Hankow Railway north of Hankow.

A few irregular passenger trains, however, have already made the northward journey through Sinyang to Chengchow, near the Yellow River crossing, without interference.

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Reds' Atom Discovery

Moscow, Nov. 15.
A highly important discovery which may well have a direct bearing on Russian explorations in the atomic energy field was reported today from Mount Alagos in the Armenian Socialist Republic. The government newspaper "Izvestia" said an expedition studying cosmic rays discovered that they knocked protons out of lead, and added the discovery "is of outstanding interest."—Associated Press.

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Chungking Troops Flock Ashore At Tsingtao

TSINGTAO, NOV. 15.
THOUSANDS OF AMERICAN-TRAINED AND EQUIPPED CHINESE GOVERNMENT TROOPS ARE LANDING UNOPPOSED FROM UNITED STATES TRANSPORTS IN THIS NORTH CHINA PORT, WHICH WAS OCCUPIED OCTOBER 11 BY AMERICAN MARINES WHO SINCE HAVE BEEN COOPED UP BY THE PRESENCE OF COMMUNIST FORCES IN THE SURROUNDING COUNTRYSIDE.

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British Yards Busy On China Shipping

THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN YESTERDAY'S "CHINA MAIL" THAT CHINA IS BUILDING A BIG MERCHANT MARINE, IS BACKED BY A STATEMENT IN THE OVERSEAS DAILY MAIL THAT CARGO VESSELS FOR THE CHINA COASTAL TRADE ARE IN EXCEPTIONAL DEMAND IN BRITISH YARDS.

ALREADY 288 PASSENGER AND TRADING SHIPS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR ON ORDER IN BRITISH YARDS, INCLUDING TWO 30,000 TONS TRANS-ATLANTIC LINES (AQUITANIA SIZE) FOR THE CUNARD WHITE STAR CO.

Orders from all parts of the world are flooding in. Every shipyard in Great Britain and Northern Ireland will be busy for five years, and prospective orders are likely to bring work for a further five years.

The P. and O. have ordered several fast passenger and cargo liners. Furness-Withy are to have what is practically a new fleet for a fast service between the Pacific Coast and Great Britain.

Royal Mail, Orient, Elder Dempster, Pacific Steam Navigation, Canadian Pacific, British India, New Zealand, Federal, and others are all having built at least one liner of 10,000 tons and over.

France, Belgium, Holland and Norway, are at the same time clamouring for British-built ships.

ONE-THIRD THE COST
For the present the utmost priority is being given to the construction of British ships, with which British shipping companies can quickly regain their old prominence in the carrying trade of the world.

British shipyards turned out the highest war tonnage in the world per capita.

Reason for the boom is that large numbers of vessels built for war purposes are unsuitable for peace traffic and will have to be scrapped. This is to be the fate of many, if not most, of the American mass-produced "utility" ships.

Not only are British ships acclaimed by the world as the best that can be made, but the cost of building them is now only one-third of that of United States yards, a fact recognised in a report on the future of U.S. shipping just issued by a committee of experts appointed by the U.S. Navy Department.

American yards, said these experts, are not yet progressive enough or sufficiently versatile to compete with Britain's long experience in this field.

CHUNGKING STRIKES A SNAG

CHUNGKING, NOV. 15.
DIFFICULTIES IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND RUSSIA OVER THE ENTRY OF CHINESE TROOPS INTO MANCHURIA AND OTHER QUESTIONS WERE ACKNOWLEDGED BY A FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN AT A NEW CONFERENCE.

"Negotiations are continuing," he said, "but so far we have not overcome all the difficulties." He refused to comment on reports that Russia had granted Chiang Kai-shek's Government permission to fly 1,600 picked Nationalist troops to Changchun, capital of Manchuria, in 30 Chinese-crewed American planes.—Associated Press.

REGISTRY WEIDIG

The wedding took place at the Registry yesterday morning of Mr. Moses Benjamin Dietrich, engineer, of the Cosmopolitan Dock, and Miss Dina Krivosheina.

Capt. Christopher D'Almada, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

The bride was a recent arrival from Shanghai by the "Arawa." A reception was held later in the day at the home of Lt. and Mrs. A. V. Skvorov in Kowloon.

ROBBERY CASE ADJOURNED

Six men and two women, alleged to have been responsible for three robbery cases in Hong Kong, were charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the Summary Military Court yesterday.

They were charged with robbery on three different occasions, at No. 51, Lower Macao Row, No. 30, Possession Street and No. 21, Wing Wo Street. One of the accused was also charged with being in possession of two revolvers and ammunition.

At the request of Chief Detective Inspector N. B. Fraser, the case was adjourned seven days for further charges to be preferred.

CHINESE WITHDRAW

Chungking, Nov. 15.
A foreign office spokesman said today some 30,000 Chinese troops already have been withdrawn from northern Indo-China, out of an estimated 100,000 total. The rest will be withdrawn as soon as the Japanese surrender is completed.

The spokesman disclosed that China would get all of the Japanese material surrendered in northern Indo-China while Russia will receive surrendered material in Manchuria.—Associated Press.

AIR PISTOL CHARGE

A 24-year-old Chinese, Tang Ming, was charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the Summary Military Court yesterday with unlawful possession of an air pistol at No. 29, Gage Street. The case was remanded for enquiries.

Sub-Inspector Franklin is in charge of the case.

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Labour Firebrand's Challenging Speech

America Could Help

Cairo, Nov. 15. In Cairo, where political circles fear that Jewish hot-heads may provoke further trouble, one observer told Reuter: "If one out of ten Jewish families in America would take one Jew, the problem of 100,000 Jews would be solved. But America won't let them in," he added. Reuter.

Birth-Control Not Wanted

Washington, Nov. 15. "Population policy for India should concentrate on the need for improving quality rather than bothering overmuch about controlling numbers," the Indian economist, Dr. Rao, told members of the Institute of Pacific Relations today. Dr. Rao, who was a member of the Indian delegation at the International Food and Agriculture Conference at Quebec, refuted the arguments of advocates of nation-wide birth control programmes in India. He emphasised: "It must not be forgotten that the very factors which would be making for a rise in national income would automatically also be accompanied by changes in the country's economic and social structure which is bound to bring down the birthrate as well." Reuter.

Yokohama, Nov. 15. 11,449 officers and men are en route to the United States aboard American ships which sailed loaded to capacity in the last few days. Associated Press.

LONDON, NOV. 15. IN A CHALLENGING SPEECH AT A POLITICAL MEETING AT BEDFORD TO-DAY, PROFESSOR HAROLD LASKI DECLARED THAT IN ALL BRITISH POLICY, WHETHER COALITION OR LABOUR, THERE WAS STILL A MARKED ABSENCE OF REAL WILLINGNESS TO MAKE A FREE INDIA IN THE FULL SENSE OF THE TERM. PROFESSOR LASKI SAID HE WAS NOT SPEAKING FOR THE LABOUR GOVERNMENT OR FOR THE LABOUR PARTY. "I SPEAK FOR MYSELF — A CITIZEN OF BRITAIN AND A CITIZEN OF A WIDER COMMON-WEALTH BEYOND THE SEAS."

Referring to Pandit Nehru as "an old friend in whose company I have immense pride," he said Nehru came out prominently among leaders of the Congress party as the only one who realises the connection between politics and economics. He continued: "Indian freedom is inevitable. What we have to decide is whether that freedom shall be arrived at with friendly cooperation or by force. We have to decide whether we are capable as a labour party and a labour movement of moving forward to the point at which we can claim we have joined in the emancipation of a great people and in the fulfilment of the destiny of a great civilisation. There is no more and no less. The Congress party of the Labour Party than its willingness to go forward in this great task." PROFUND SHAME. Seizing hold of the microphone to make himself heard above the din of cheering, Professor Laski cried: "It is a matter of profound regret and shame that British and Indian troops should be used to restore tyranny in the Pacific area. There is nothing in Indo-China that justifies the British Government in assisting in the restoration of French domination, nor do I know anything in the history of Dutch government in Java that would justify the use of British and Indian troops. I hope we in Britain are not going to be deceived by the ancient shibboleth that all this is being done to protect law and order or restore it. I know no phrase under which more evil crimes and deeds have been committed against the common people of the world than in the name of law and order. A DREAM? "We were told by the leaders of all parties that this was a war for freedom and democracy. These words know no bar of colour, religion, class or birth." Referring to Britain's dead in World War II, Professor Laski cried: "We have asked for six years our men to go out and die. Have they died for a dream or shall we make that dream come true? That is the choice before this generation. If we rell the Indian Jatis, shoot down natives or use the scientific technique of modern war for the purpose of breaking the incipient efforts of peoples to change themselves with their own destinies, then we have asked those men to die for a lie." Reuter.

SELLING U.S. PROPERTY

Chungking, Nov. 15. China Headquarters of the United States Foreign Liquidation Commission, which is selling surplus American property in China, will be established in Shanghai about December 1.

John K. Howard, temporary special representative who made the announcement, said that after a preliminary survey in China, he will assume duties as central field commissioner at Manila. Brig. Gen. B. A. Johnson will head the China office. Associated Press.

San Francisco, Nov. 15. California reported today a record \$25,000,000 rice crop of some 7,300,000 bags. Associated Press.

Temper Lost In House Of Commons Debate

OTTAWA, NOV. 15. QUESTION OF WHERE AND HOW THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT RECEIVED ITS AUTHORITY—FROM THE CROWN OR FROM THE PEOPLE—WAS THE SUBJECT OF A FIERY DEBATE IN THE CANADIAN HOUSE OF COMMONS PUNCTUATED BY UNRULY SCENES AS MEMBERS SHOUTED AT EACH OTHER ACROSS THE FLOOR.

AT ONE STAGE JAMES HUSLEY, ACTING PRIME MINISTER DURING THE ABSENCE IN WASHINGTON OF MACKENZIE KING, TOSSED A VOLUME ONTO HIS DESK, CHALLENGING A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE WITH THE WORDS "NOW LET THEM GO AHEAD AND DO IT IF THEY WANT TO."

Contention arose when Husley, requesting another month's interim supply, said he stood by every word he had uttered the previous day and quoted from Hansard a statement that he roused feeling. "His Majesty's advisers are sworn in as advisers to the Crown. Government is responsible to Parliament but that is a different thing from the doctrine that Government is a committee of the House of Commons or that it exercises authority delegated by the House of Commons. That is not so."

John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, challenged the statement as "erratic, incomprehensible and some of the most extraordinary constitutional principles which have been heard in this Chamber since the Confederation." He said it was completely contradictory to the views expressed by Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister.

MOTION CARRIED

J. Caldwell, leader of the Commonwealth Co-operation Federation, said he was sure "progressive people of this country will never admit any power is derived from the people of Canada." The debate on the source of power originated with refusal by Husley of a request by Bracken last week for the tabling of certain documents. Refusal was based on the ground that the documents were confidential and that it was not in the public interest to table them. Husley said that if the opposition felt Government's conduct was unsatisfactory it could move a vote of want of confidence in a Government. The supply resolution finally passed all stages. Reuter.

That American Loan: To Be Or Not To Be

WASHINGTON, NOV. 15. SEVERAL LEGISLATORS SAID YESTERDAY THAT IF PRIME MINISTER ATTLEE IS SEEKING TO SELL THE UNITED STATES ON THE IDEA OF A LOAN TO BRITAIN HE HAS MADE ONLY LITTLE HEADWAY BY VISITING CAPITOL HILL. HOWEVER, OTHERS EXPRESSED THE BELIEF SUCH A LOAN WILL BE MADE.

Talks on a multi-billion credit arrangement for Britain have been underway several weeks.

Members of Congress who heard Attlee's address to the joint meeting of Congress were impressed by the British leader's frankness, but opinion was divided on his Government's objectives. Senator Taft of Ohio, chairman of the Republican steering committee, personally favours the loan but said he felt Attlee's explanation of the objectives of the British Labour Government had not helped much. "It is a little too New Dealish for some people," Taft said.

Senator Wherry, Nebraska Republican, observed that Attlee "isn't the salesman Churchill was." Associated Press.

MINORITY MUST BE PUNISHED

High Commissioner Paul V. McNutt said today the Philippines' fate would be decided in Washington as much as in Manila. In a broadcast, he said: "We are going to give the islands a breathing space during which they can adjust themselves to the rigors of an independent economy. We are going to pay for their war damages and make provisions to take care of those Filipinos who fought on our side on Bataan and Corregidor, Leyte and Luzon, and who carried on the fight during the dark months when the Philippines were occupied by a savage enemy." He said the minority of Filipinos who collaborated with the Japanese must be punished. Associated Press.

A Gala Execution

Sydney, Nov. 15. Allied investigators said today natives had found the headless bodies of five American soldiers who were tortured and then executed by the Japanese on Celebes Island. Authorities said the soldiers were believed to have been the victims of the Japanese navy secret police. Natives reported that Nipponese made a gala occasion of the beheadings. Associated Press.

CHINESE TO FLY THEIR OWN TROOPS

Washington, Nov. 15. Secretary of State Byrnes told reporters yesterday that Chinese troops to be flown to Manchuria would be transported in planes lend-leased to China and manned by Chinese crews. He recalled President Truman's order ending lend-lease on V-J day provided for post-war assistance to China with equipment in accepting the surrender of Japan. Mr. Byrnes said the United States and Russia have not discussed China's civil strife. Asked if there had been any conversations with the Chinese Government in an effort to settle the Nationalist-Communist conflict, the Secretary of State said merely that the Chinese situation is a matter of great regret to Washington officials, which hopes sincerely for some amicable settlement. Associated Press.

JAP SERGEANT FACES MUSIC

Manila, Nov. 15. The beheading of an American air-crewman by the Japanese was described by eye-witnesses, called by the prosecution at the trial of General Yamashita, formerly Japanese Commander-in-Chief in the Philippines. The airman, who was identified only as "Sergeant Scott," was severely burned when his machine crashed. After his injuries had been attended to by nuns at a nearby convent, he was forced by the Japanese to march and kneel beside a fox-hole with six Filipinos. All were beheaded with the sword of a Japanese sergeant, who will be arraigned before the United States Military Commission on Thursday. Reuter.

DERBY BACK AT EPSOM NEXT YEAR

London, Nov. 15. The Ministry of Works today stated that it has given permission for sufficient money to be spent on the Epsom Course and stands to enable the Derby to go back to Epsom next year. It is also stated that the Airline Course has been dequestioned and a similar amount of money has been allowed, so that the course could also be placed in a fit condition for the "Grand National" to be run there. Reuter.

New York, Nov. 15. Phil Cavarretta, hard-hitting first baseman of the pennant-winning Chicago Cubs, was named most valuable player in the National League for the 1945 baseball season by the Baseball Writers' Association. Tommy Holmes, Boston home run king, was second; Charley Tierrett, St. Louis pitcher, third, and Andy Pafko, Chicago outfielder, fourth. Associated Press.

An arrival in the Colony yesterday by plane was the Rev. A. D. Stewart, formerly Headmaster of St. Paul's College for many years. He is now connected with the British Red Cross.

R.A.F. Men Go On "Strike" In India

LONDON, NOV. 15. BRIGADIER FITZROY MACLEAN, CONSERVATIVE, TODAY ASKED JOSEPH STRACHEY, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR AIR, IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IF HE HAD INQUIRED INTO THE REFUSAL OF THE MEN OF AN R.A.F. UNIT IN CENTRAL INDIA TO OBEY ORDERS AND INTO THE ACTION TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION BY THE COMMANDING OFFICER. MR. STRACHEY REPLIED THAT A FULL REPORT OF THE INCIDENT AND ACTION TAKEN BY THE AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN CALLED FOR.

Brigadier Maclean: "In view of the most alarming account of this episode, which has appeared in the press, will he undertake to inform the House as soon as possible of the result of the inquiry?" Mr. Strachey: "The report is alarming but I could not pass judgment on the matter until I have had the opportunity of hearing from the commander concerned."

First report of trouble among R.A.F. personnel in central India was published in the weekly "New Statesman and Nation."

The paper printed a letter from an R.A.F. man who declared that his commanding officer had brought in armed Indian troops with armoured cars in an effort to cow his unit.

The man, he said, had protested against daily full parades. Writer of the letter said "This is happening all over India."

A.O.C.'S ACTION. He added that matters at his camp, where there was much unrest, over delayed demobilisation, came to a head when the men decided to refuse to begin work unless what they regarded as necessary parades were cancelled. "Many other things have aroused resentment in the past few weeks, including the food, which is grim."

The commanding officer tried to break the strike and called in Indian troops, armed and with armoured cars. In view of the tense situation between the British and Indians here this was uncalculated for.

The Air Officer Commanding had flown to the camp, removed all the armed Indian troops and promised better food after listening to a deputation which was sent to him. Reuter.

Russians Won't Say Yes Or No

WASHINGTON, NOV. 15. SECRETARY OF STATE BYRNES DISCLOSED TODAY THAT THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA STILL ARE DEADLOCKED OVER SOVIET DEMANDS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ALLIED CONTROL COUNCIL FOR JAPAN. He said Russia is insisting upon the unanimity rule. Mr. Byrnes insisted that a similar rule was responsible for failure of the Berlin control council to accomplish many things. In the proposed Japanese council, under the Russian proposal, all members would have an equal voice and all would have to agree before anything could be done. The United States is holding out for a council in which General MacArthur would have the decisive voice in case of disagreement. Mr. Byrnes said Russia shifted her position on the American idea after saying it was acceptable.

The secretary said no agreement has been reached for a Far Eastern advisory commission, which has been meeting without Russian participation.

Mr. Byrnes said the United States had received a reply from Foreign Commissar Molotov to the communication presented by the American ambassador concerning a military council for Japan, but he did not disclose its contents. Associated Press.

British Troops Engage Strong Saigon Force

LONDON, NOV. 15. BRITISH AND INDIAN TROOPS IN AN ENGAGEMENT TO THE NORTH OF SAIGON WITH STRONG NATIONALIST FORCES, SUSTAINED THE LARGEST NUMBER OF CASUALTIES SO FAR REPORTED IN ACTION. IT WAS UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED IN A DELAYED MESSAGE FROM SAIGON TO-DAY. THE SAIGON RADIO TO-DAY GAVE THE OFFICIAL FIGURES OF ALLIED CASUALTIES AS BRITISH AND INDIAN, 19 KILLED UP TO NOV. 9, FRENCH LOSSES, 27 KILLED AND 22 WOUNDED UP TO NOV. 12.

General le Clere, Commander of the French forces in Indo-China, stated today: "I have full confidence in the outcome of the present situation."

He believed that the majority of the Annamites desire to return to the French community.

Gruesome Manila Exhibits

MANILA, NOV. 15. A STORY OF BAYONETTING AND BURNING ALIVE OF TWO AMERICAN AIRMEN WAS ADDED YESTERDAY TO THE LONG LIST OF ATROCITIES CHARGED AGAINST JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The remains of the two airmen from a plane which crashed off Cebu were found by an American officer in charge of grave registration who described the atrocity to the U.S. military commission trying General Yamashita as a war criminal.

He exhibited pictures of charred bodies with the hands still tied behind the backs and said he found marks at the base of the men's necks where they were struck by heavy instruments. He said a Filipino told him the men were bayoneted head on and the bodies were covered with gasoline and ignited. The prosecution speedily presented a series of new witnesses who described other bayonettings and burnings of civilians in the islands. Associated Press.

Yamashita's Japanese interpreter testified he saw Japanese military police decapitate 20 Filipino men and women in 40 minutes in a north Manila cemetery. He said he saw Yamashita's order commanding his forces for their treatment of guerrillas.

A Chinese editor of a Manila newspaper described acts of cruelty he witnessed while imprisoned. He said some persons were strung from the ceiling with ropes, then allowed to fall on boards with nails protruding. Others were pumped full of soapy water while guards jumped on their stomachs. A 10-year-old Filipino girl said a Japanese officer killed her mother and sister, then raped her.

Another said a Japanese cut-off her husband's tongue because he refused to answer questions, then bayoneted him to death and raped her. Associated Press.

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7.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.

7.10 p.m.—Royal Corps of Signals Orchestra—ENSA.

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7.40 p.m.—"Max Miller in the Theatre"—ENSA.

8.00 p.m.—"Forces Request Hour."

9.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.

9.10 p.m.—"Munro Time"—ENSA.

9.40 p.m.—Grieg's "Pavane" Suite.

10.00 p.m.—News from London.

10.05 p.m.—A Song Recital.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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